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## USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR FUTURO COMMUNITIES, INC.

**Temple, Texas, September 8, 2005**--USDA Rural Development State Director, Bryan Daniel, announced today FUTURO Communities, Inc. has received a \$500,000 Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) to establish a revolving loan fund to assist in the expansion of businesses in the Empowerment Zone. FUTURO Communities, Inc. is a non-profit corporation, established to implement a ten-year strategic plan aimed at community revitalization throughout Dimmit, LaSalle, Maverick, Uvalde and Zavala Counties.

"The injection of funds into the area will be used to establish a revolving loan which will help establish and expand businesses in FUTURO'S area," said Daniel. "I am very pleased that USDA Rural Development is able to assist businesses located within the Empowerment Zone."

USDA Rural Development strives to ensure that rural citizens can participate fully in the global economy by providing technical assistance, funding, and other programs that help rural Americans build strong economies to improve their quality of life. For further information, or to find the office nearest you, please contact the Uvalde Local Office at (830) 278-9503, Ext. 4, or visit us on the web at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>.

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